



# Our Lady Star of the Sea School

## January 9, 2019 Newsletter



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Dear Parents & Guardians,

As we move into the second half of the school year, let us reflect upon our decision and the reasons we have chosen to give our children a Catholic education. The legacy of a Catholic education is more than the academic knowledge imparted to our students; it is the development of a deep and abiding sense of faith, the realization of the value of moral character, and the inspiration of a life-long journey of learning. As we seek to increase enrollment, please spread the word about our wonderful school, and encourage friends and family to visit our upcoming Open Houses this month.

### NEWS :

**Island Bingo Spirit Day:** Island Bingo in Solomons is hosting a Spirit Day for our school on **Sun, Jan. 13**. Doors open at 12pm and games start at 1pm.

**Pastries for Parents:** Please join us on **Mon, Jan. 28** from 7-8:00am for Pastries for Parents in the Providence Room!

**Talent Show:** Our annual Talent Show will be held on **Tue, Jan. 29 at 1pm**. Info and permission forms are included with today's news.

**Polar Plunge:** Our Polar Plunge will be held at Vera's on **Sat, Feb. 9**. More info will be out soon!

**Christmas Bags:** We are looking for donations of large Christmas gift bags for the 2019 Santa Shop; please send them to the School Office.

### REMINDERS :

**Open Houses:** We are hosting the following Open Houses this month:

- **Tue, Jan. 15, 8:15-10am:** Pre-K & Kindergarten
- **Fri, Jan. 18, 8:15-10am:** Pre-K & Kindergarten
- **Sun, Jan. 27, 12-1:30pm:** All Grades

**Early Dismissal Day:** Next **Fri, Jan. 18** is a 12:30pm dismissal.

**Spirit Night:** We will have a Roy Rogers Spirit Night at **Mon, Jan. 28 from 5-8pm**.

**Catholic Schools Week:** From **Jan. 27-Feb. 2**, we will celebrate Catholic Schools Week, a national celebration of the value of Catholic Education in the US. The schedule of events will be out soon.

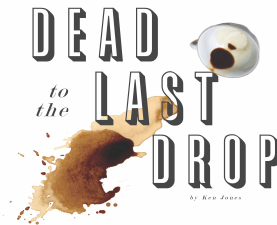
### UPCOMING EVENTS :

#### JANUARY

- **Jan. 13:** Island Bingo Spirit Day
- **Jan. 15, 8:15-10am:** Pre-K & K Open House
- **Jan. 18, 8:15-10am:** Pre-K & K Open House
- **Jan. 18:** 12:30pm Dismissal
- **Jan. 18:** End of 2nd Quarter
- **Jan. 21:** No School - MLK Day
- **Jan. 25 & 26:** Alumni Players Dinner Theatre
- **Jan. 27-Feb. 2:** Catholic Schools Week
- **Jan. 27, 10:45am:** CSW Opening Mass
- **Jan. 27, 12-1pm:** Open House
- **Jan. 28, 7-8:30am:** Pastries for Parents
- **Jan. 28, 5-8pm:** Roy Rogers Spirit Night
- **Jan. 29, 1pm:** Talent Show

#### ALUMNI PLAYERS PRESENT

Visit us on Facebook at OLSS Alumni Players and at www.OLSS.org



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The OLSS Alumni Players' Dinner Theatre performance, "Dead to the Last Drop", will be held

**Fri, Jan. 25 & Sat, Jan. 26,**  
**and Fri, Feb. 1 & Sat, Feb. 2.**

Tickets are \$40/person and include dinner, drinks, and the performance. Call 410-326-8272 for reservations, or purchase tickets through the online school store.

**Volunteers Needed:** The Alumni Players event is a fundraiser for our school. Many volunteers are needed; waiters/waitresses (age 18+), kitchen help table bussers (age 12-17), and clean up. Please sign up through the school volunteer site. Volunteers may eat and enjoy the performance at no charge.

#### FROG IT CHALLENGE

Pope Francis reminds us, "As we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus, let us recall the date we were baptized and thank the Lord, because it is precisely the day when Jesus entered into you, the Holy Spirit has entered into you."



God bless,

*Mary Bartsch*

Mrs. Mary Bartsch, Principal